

WOOD PUTS IN VIGOROUS DAY ON THE BENCH

Grants Three Divorces And Makes New Alimony Order

FOUR MATTERS UP FROM PROBATE CT.

Wilkins Both Reversed And Sustained, While Judgment Is Modified

Judge Wood of Morrow county spent an exceedingly busy day here Thursday when eight cases were brought before him for judgment. Three of these involved the marital state of the parties involved and, in each instance, divorces were granted by the judge.

Four concerned rulings of Probate Judge Wilkins in the matter of William M. Koons as guardian, administrator and executor. In one of these, the probate court was sustained, in another its order was modified, and in the other two, its judgment was reversed under certain conditions.

The eighth case had to do with alimony, new orders being issued by Judge Wood.

His work follows: **"PROBATE COURT SUSTAINED"** In the matter of the removal of William M. Koons, administrator of John Hyatt—Same order and decrees as in probate court.

APPLICATION REFUSED In the guardianship of Henry Eggleston, an insane person—On William M. Koons, guardian, giving bond as such guardian in 30 days and to the satisfaction of the probate court, the application to remove guardian is refused. Upon his failure to give bond, the application is granted, the guardian removed and the cause remanded to probate court. Guardian ordered to pay P. M. Aphaugh for services.

"PROBATE ORDERS MODIFIED" In the estate of John Alberts—exceptions to the first partial account of William M. Koons, executor—Orders of probate court modified and affirmed as modified. Executor ordered to pay B. O. Evans for services.

PAYMENTS ARE ORDERED In the action of Maude B. Hampshire vs. Ross M. Hampshire—Former order modified and defendant ordered to pay \$10 on Jan. 8 and \$10 on Jan. 22, 1917, and \$10 on the 8th and 22nd of each month thereafter, subject to further order of court.

TO PAY \$12 A MONTH In the action of Ora Delbert Hutchens vs. Mary A. Hutchens—Decree of divorce granted plaintiff and plaintiff ordered, at his request, to pay \$12 a month to Patrick Purcell for support of minor children.

DIVORCE IS GRANTED In the action of Bertha E. Gordon vs. Joseph M. Gordon—Decree of divorce granted plaintiff. As to custody of children, a private agreement was made.

DIVESTED OF RIGHTS In the action of Frank Gronka vs. Laura Gronka—Decree of divorce granted plaintiff. Defendant is divested of all rights in the property of plaintiff.

PROBATE COURT REVERSED In the matter of the estate of John Alberts, on application of James Alberts, the parties moving for the removal of William M. Koons as executor—Cause reversed and remanded to probate court.

Utica Jeweler Assigns— E. T. Wilson, the jeweler of Utica, Thursday morning filed a deed of assignment in probate court. The deed conveys a stock of goods, valued at \$1,250, and the assignee named is Frank C. Hite, attorney, of that place. Mr. Hite gave bonds in the sum of \$2,500.

Order Issued— In the petition to sell real estate of Columbus, administrator of William M. Koons vs. George M. Smith, an order of appraisal, setting value of property at \$2,850, has been returned and confirmed and an order of sale has been issued.

First and Final— Rose M. Hite, administratrix of Lewis P. Hite, has filed a first and

final account, showing \$3,846.58 received and disbursed.

Sale Bill Filed— J. O. McArthur, administrator of the estate of Lorenzo Hartman, has filed a bill showing the sale of miscellaneous articles to various people for considerations totalling \$463.32.

Quarterly Fees Paid— Probate Judge Wilkins has paid to Treasurer Bell the sum of \$908.47, representing fees collected during the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1916.

Deeds Filed— Anna Horn to Ross E. Mitchell, 57 acres in Butler, \$500. Elizabeth Hartz to James R. Reed, Jr., parcel in Pike, \$600. F. L. Rinehart to Elizabeth Rinehart, parcel in Hilliar, \$1. Theodore J. Loyal to Reuben B. Perry, 27 1-2 acres in Hilliar, \$1,237.50.

SILENCE

OF AGES BROKEN WHEN WOMAN'S SPEECH IS RESTORED AT HER DIVORCE TRIAL.

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 5.—After being totally deaf and dumb for 68 years, Mrs. Cordella Kirkpatrick, 72 years old, became so excited at her appearance in the district court here, at the trial of her suit for divorce, that her voice has been restored almost completely and she is able to hear.

Without the aid of an interpreter for the deaf and dumb language, Mrs. Kirkpatrick was able to hear and answer the questions of lawyers and the court. Her attorneys had worried along several minutes trying to get Mrs. Kirkpatrick's testimony through the sign method. Suddenly the woman leaned forward in the witness chair and in a low voice she began to speak.

"I believe I can talk," she said. Then her attorney shouted a few questions in her ear, and it was demonstrated she had recovered her hearing. The husband is 14 years younger and also deaf and dumb, but when he took the stand the excitement did not restore his voice or hearing.

LARIMORE

COMMITTEEMAN FOR BIG CAMP-FIRE AT MEMORIAL PARK NEXT JULY.

Dr. E. C. Larimore of this city is a member of the committee on transportation for the big camp-fire which will be held at Memorial park, Black Run, Licking county, on July 26, 1917, according to a letter received Thursday by him from D. B. Baughman, secretary of the association in charge.

At the camp-fire last summer, there was an attendance of over 5,000 people from all sections of the state. Gov. F. B. Willis was the principal speaker.

The park contains sandstone statues of Lincoln, McPherson, Garfield and McKinley, all executed by Secretary Baughman. He expects to add Grant, Sherman and Sheridan to the collection.

MAN WHO RODE ENGINE PILOT TWO MILES ABLE TO ARISE FROM BED Greer, Jan. 5.—Fred Kauffman, who resides near this place, was up from his bed and is recovering from the various cuts and bruises which he sustained Tuesday evening at Loudonville when he was struck by the Broadway Limited and hurled onto the pilot of the engine where he rode a distance of nearly two miles.

PAINCHEAUX

FAMILY SAFE IN BELGIUM, BUT DESTITUTE—FORMERLY RESIDED IN SOUTH VERNON.

Word has been received as to the safety and well-being of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Paincheaux, former residents of South Vernon, who were on a visit with relatives in Europe when the war broke out.

The information that they were safe, but financially destitute, was received by John Gormeau in reply to an inquiry made of the secretary of state of the United States. They are residing at their former home in Ransart, Belgium.

MISS DILGER IS ASSISTANT

Postmaster Glenn Baker announced last week the appointment of Miss Helen Dilger, a clerk in the office for a number of years, as his assistant.—Centerburg Gazette.

POULTRY AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED

Centerburg Show Considered Most Successful

SCORING VERY CLOSE

In Partridge Wyandotte Class, Only Six-Sixteenths Of Point Separates Winners—Mt. Vernon Birds Cop Ribbons

Centerburg, Jan. 5.—Judge Ira C. Keller of Prospect, who has been scoring birds in the Centerburg poultry show, was nearly stumped when he attempted to rate the partridge wyandottes. Competition was so very close that a six-sixteenths of a point separated the leaders from a tie.

Two Mt. Vernon men, Clyde L. Brentlinger and C. W. Hunter, were among the winners in the barred rocks and silver-laced wyandottes respectively.

The following are the prize awards, as announced by Secretary Guy Best: Partridge Wyandottes—C. O. Oberholzer, 1st cock, 1st and 2nd pullet, 1st pen, 2nd hen; W. O. Phillips, 3rd cock, 1st and 2nd cockerel, 1st hen, 1st pen. High score—93 1-4.

Silver-laced Wyandottes—C. W. Hunter of Mt. Vernon, 1st cock, 1st and 2nd hen, 2nd pullet; W. J. Engel of Sunbury, 1st cockerel, 1st pullet. High score—93 3-4.

White Wyandottes—H. R. Hicks of Condit, 1st and 2nd cockerel, 1st and 2nd pullet. High score—91 3-4.

Dark Cornish Game—Joseph Ling, 1st and 2nd pen; J. F. Lyon, 1st cock, 1st cockerel, 1st pullet, 1st pen. High score—92.

Barred Rocks—E. E. Kile, 1st cockerel, 2nd cock, 1st and 2nd hen, 1st pullet, 1st pen; C. L. Brentlinger of Mt. Vernon, 1st cock, 2nd cockerel; W. E. Pearl, 2nd pen. High score—93.

White Leghorns—Ralph B. Walker, 1st pullet, 1st and 2nd hen, 1st trio; W. R. Batten, 1st cockerel, 1st and 2nd cock, 2nd cockerel, 2nd hen. High score—95 1-2.

Rhode Island Reds—L. G. Walker, 2nd hen; W. D. Willis, 1st cock, 1st and 2nd cockerel, 1st hen. High score—92 3-4.

Black Minorca—S. G. Gilbert, 1st hen, 2nd cockerel; W. D. Willis, 1st cockerel, 1st and 2nd pullet, 1st cock, 1st hen. High score—95.

Anconas—C. D. Duffin, 1st and 2nd pullet. High score—93.

The highest scoring of all was in the white leghorn class, where the best mark registered was 95 1-2.

Despite the disagreeable weather, there has been an excellent attendance at the show which has been held in the I. S. Greek garage.

ACKERMAN

Shooting And Smithhisler Assault Are Cases

To Come Before The Grand Jury Which Meets Tuesday Morning At Ten O'Clock

A number of interesting cases come up before the grand jury which will start on its work next Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Two of these command the widest interest in the county. One is the alleged shooting to kill on the part of Charles Ayers of Dr. Ernest V. Ackerman of Fredericktown. The shooting occurred Halloween night when Dr. Ackerman attempted to remove some fence rails from the road that the automobile in which he was returning to Fredericktown from this city might continue on its way. Ayers contends that he intended to shoot into the air, believing that Dr. Ackerman was one of a party of young people which had torn down his fence and placed the rails in the road. The shot struck Dr. Ackerman in the eye.

The other case is of more recent date. It is the alleged assault committed by Ray Frost upon Mrs. Walter Smithhisler of Jefferson township the night before Christmas.

LOCK ROAD HEARING

BRINGS HILLIAR TP. RESIDENTS TO CITY SATURDAY

A number of residents of Hilliar township were in the city Saturday morning in connection with the hearing on the Lock-Centerburg road. A remonstrance has been filed with the commissioners against the construction of the same as plans now stand.

SOCIETY NOTES

Bishop Entertains Masonic Officers

Showing his appreciation for their loyal services during his term as Worshipful Master, Mr. Guy C. Bishop entertained the officers of 1916 of Bloomfield lodge, No. 422, F. & A. M., at dinner at the Park hotel Thursday evening. An elegant four-course dinner was served, after which a theatre party was enjoyed at the Crystal Palace. Covers were laid for eleven and the favors were bouquets of violets attached to the place cards by means of streamers of ribbon. It was a most enjoyable affair and one that will long be remembered by those present. Those present were: Worshipful Master Guy C. Bishop, Senior Warden H. Blinn Ramey, Junior Warden Dr. A. W. Brown, Secretary Charles W. Woodland, Treasurer V. E. Brokaw, Junior Deacon W. A. White, Senior Steward Robert M. Hasson, Junior Steward A. C. Freeman, Tyler Earl B. Walter and W. S. Lewis. Senior Deacon C. B. Perkins was unable to be present.—Centerburg Gazette.

Former O. S. S. Employee Married

(Ohio State Journal.) William E. W. Cherry, aged 57, building contractor, 40 West Main street, and Miss Ona Belle Elser, 32 years old, 1280 Neil avenue, were married yesterday at Covington, Ky., according to word from there.

The bride until recently was chief clerk in the office of State Oil Inspector Carr.

Her father, Tobias W. Elser, real estate dealer, said last night that he knew nothing of the wedding.

The bride is known in this city. She was the first stenographer at the Ohio State Sanatorium.

Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fisher entertained a number of their friends on Thursday evening with a dinner party, honoring Mrs. Fisher's birthday. The evening was spent in cards and music all having a delightful time. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Harley Lemaster, Mr. and Mrs. James Lamson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lamson, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Elger, Mr. and Mrs. Bradhaugh Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Burleigh Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Matheson, Oscar Flippo, Charles Sapp, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mayer, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy G. Mayer.

Card Party And Dance

The F. O. Eagles entertained about 250 persons at the K. of P. armory Thursday evening with a card party and dance. The evening was one of immense pleasure, as there was amusement for all. Cards took up the first half of the evening while many indulged in dancing afterwards and it was late before the guests departed.

NOW ON HONEYMOON

Logansport, Ind., Jan. 6.—Thirty-one years ago Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hughes planned their honeymoon. They are now carrying out their plans. Both then lived in the little town of Wolcott. They were engaged but quarreled and parted. Both married, and the mate of each died. Recently Mr. Hughes renewed his thirty-one-year-old courtship, and the pair are now honeymooning in Oklahoma.

TO ADDRESS THE DRYS

Columbus, Jan. 6.—William Jennings Bryan will come to Columbus Jan. 17, to address the state dry convention, which will be held Jan. 16 to 18, at Memorial hall, when a prohibition amendment will be drafted. Representatives of seven dry organizations expressed themselves as anxious that co-operation between the various bodies aiming to banish liquor from Ohio be assured.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White and Mrs. Ralph White of this city spent Friday in Columbus.

William M. Banning of West High street went to Westerville on business Friday.

Miss Cora Edwards returned to her home in Coashocton Friday after a visit with friends in Danville.

Dow Mason and Dana Smith of Brandon spent Thursday in Columbus on business.

ASKED OF PAST, MIND A BLANK

Mrs. Brokaw Sits In Chair And Dozes

SHE IS OUT OF DANGER

Future Recovery Expected When She Will Be Able To Shed Light On Mansfield's Poison Mystery

An effort made yesterday by Police Chief James Feeney to secure a statement from Mrs. Mollie Brokaw which might throw some light on the poison mystery which on Saturday evening, Dec. 16, resulted in the serious illness of herself and her husband, Clyde Brokaw, and the death of her 13-year-old daughter, Pauline Grubb, at their home, 116 1-2 North Main street, proved unsuccessful, as she is still unable to tell what occurred on the afternoon of the tragedy.

The woman is still unaware of the fact that her little daughter is dead and buried and takes no interest in what goes on about her. She simply sits in a chair at her home and dozes, considerable effort being required continuously to keep her awake. At times she appears to recognize people around her but when questioned regarding the past, her mind is a blank. She now appears to be out of danger, however, and it is believed that she eventually will be able to tell something of the affair which has so completely baffled the police and the county authorities.

The authorities state that they will be unable to take any steps in the case until a second report is received from the state chemist on the analysis made of the stomach of the girl, the contents of Brokaw's stomach taken from him on the night of the tragedy and the coffee pot found in the home. Everything now hinges on this report and a statement which it may be possible to secure later from Mrs. Brokaw.—Mansfield Shield.

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We just received a large shipment of the 7-piece sets, with the initial, which we give with \$25.00 worth of coupons. Instead of the 8 in. plate, we were obliged to take two coupe plates. This is the last shipment we can get, as they are made in Europe and it is impossible to get them. We will not issue any more tickets, only to complete the \$25.00 you have already started. Bring in your tickets early. No tickets redeemed after this shipment is disposed of.

FRANK . KIRBY

Mt. Vernon, O.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 6.—Two hundred and eighty thousand acres of land in the Keystone drainage district of Arkansas, which includes Poinsett, Craighead and Mississippi counties, will be drained and opened for settlement. The undertaking is the most gigantic of the kind attempted, and the Keystone project will be one of the largest drainage enterprises in the United States. More than 300 miles of canals will be cut and it is estimated 30,000,000 cubic yards of dirt will be removed. One of the novel features to be included in the system will be a concrete syphon, one-fourth of a mile in length, which will carry water under a floodway.

Envoy May Be Recalled. Washington, Jan. 6.—Germany has requested the United States government to remove Minister Vopicka from Bucharest. The request probably will be granted. Press messages indicated Germany was displeased at Vopicka's work in behalf of allied interests before the Teutons captured Bucharest. Vopicka, a wealthy Chagran, was accredited to Roumania, Serbia and Bulgaria.